

( ) \_\_\_\_\_ References (copies) listed on the Form PTO-1449 are enclosed.

- (X) A Return Receipt Postcard is enclosed (MPEP §503).
- (X) Priority of application numbers 2000-183432, filed 19 June 2000 and 2000-202897, filed 4 July 2000 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

(X) A certified copy of the priority documents are enclosed.

( ) A MicroFiche Computer Program (Appendix) is enclosed.

( ) A Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission is enclosed.

( ) A Computer Readable Copy is enclosed.

( ) A Paper Copy (Identical to Computer Copy) is enclosed.

( ) A Statement Verifying Identity of above Copies is enclosed.

(X) Preliminary Amendment: Cancel claims 8, 9, 17, 18 and 19.

(X) The filing fee is calculated below:

Fee Calculation For Claims As Filed

(a) Basic Fee \$710.00

(b) Independent Claims 1 - 3 = 0 x \$ 80.00 = \$0.00

(c) Total Claims 19 - 20 = 0 x \$ 18.00 = \$0.00

(d) Fee for Multiply Dependent Claims \$270.00 \$\_\_\_\_\_

Total Filing Fee \$710.00

( ) A Statement(s) of Status as Small Entity is enclosed, reducing the Filing Fee by half to: \$\_\_\_\_\_

(X) A check in the amount of \$710.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

( ) Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

( ) The payment of the Filing Fee is to be deferred until the Declaration is filed. Do not charge our Deposit Account.

( ) A separate written request under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3), which is a general authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for its timely submission as incorporating a petition for an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, is enclosed.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135, Re: Order No. 7378/71294. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal

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